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Lundy Lewis

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COMPONENT TO SERVICE MAPPING IN
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed May 13, 2003 (Paper No. 11), Applicant hereby provisionally elects Claim 4 for continued examination. Applicant notes that the due date falls on October 13, 2003, which is Columbus Day a federal holiday within the District of Columbia and therefore the time for taking action expires on October 14, 2003.

There is a fee of \$1,480 due for a Four-Month Extension of Time. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 12-0080, under Order No. APB-021 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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